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Kathy A. Surratt-States

Bankruptcy Judge

Date of Birth: January 4, 1967
Education: Oklahoma City 1988 BA; Washington U (MO) 1991 JD
Began Service: March 17, 2003
Term Expires: March 2017

Clerkships: Judicial Intern, Bankruptcy Judge Barry S. Schermer, United States Bankruptcy Court for the Eastern District of Missouri (1989); Law Clerk, Bankruptcy Judge James J. Barta, United States Bankruptcy Court for the Eastern District of Missouri (1991-1993)

Legal Practice: Associate, Campbell & Coyne, P.C. (1993-1998); Associate, Ziercher & Hocker, P.C. (1998-1999); Principal, Ziercher & Hocker, P.C. (2000-2001); Member, Husch & Eppenger, LLC (2001-2003)

Current Memberships: The Bar Association of Metropolitan St. Louis; The Missouri Bar; Mound City Bar Association

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Charles E. Rendlen III

Bankruptcy Judge

Education: William Jewell 1972 BS; Missouri 1976 JD
Began Service: May 2006
Term Expires: May 23, 2020

Government: U.S. Trustee, Region 13, Executive Office for United States Trustees, United States Department of Justice (2003-2006)

Legal Practice: Associate, The Rendlen Law Firm, P.C. (1976-1979); Partner, The Rendlen Law Firm, P.C. (1979-1991); Managing Partner, The Rendlen Law Firm, P.C. (1991-2003)

Staff

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David P. McDonald

Senior Bankruptcy Judge

Date of Birth: 1938
Education: Washington U (MO) 1960 BA, 1962 JD
Began Service: December 3, 1982
Term Expires: December 2, 2014

Affiliation: Bankruptcy Judge, Chambers of Bankruptcy Judge David P. McDonald, United States Bankruptcy Appellate Panel for the Eighth Circuit

Government: Chief Trial and Special Assistant Circuit Attorney, Criminal Prosecution, State of Missouri (1965-1975); Administrative Law Judge, Bureau of Hearings and Appeals, Social Security Administration (1975-1979); Administrative Law Judge, National Labor Relations Board (1979-1982)

Judicial: Chief Bankruptcy Judge, United States Bankruptcy Court for the Eastern District of Missouri

Military Service: United States Army (1962-1964)

Current Memberships: American Bar Association; The Bar Association of Metropolitan St. Louis; National Conference of Bankruptcy Judges

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Fernando J. Gaitan, Jr.

Chief Judge

Date of Birth: 1948
Education: Pittsburg State 1970 BS; Missouri (Kansas City) 1974 JD
Began Service: 1991
Appointed By: President George H.W. Bush

Corporate: Attorney, Southwestern Bell Telephone Company (1974-1980)

Judicial: Judge, Missouri Circuit Court, 16th Judicial Circuit (1980-1986); Judge, Missouri Court of Appeals, Western District (1986-1991)

Current Memberships: American Bar Foundation, American Bar Association; Jackson County Bar Association; Kansas City Metropolitan Bar Association; The Missouri Bar

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Ortrie D. Smith

District Judge

Date of Birth: 1946
Education: Missouri BA, JD
Began Service: August 1995
Appointed By: President William J. Clinton

Legal Practice: Partner, Ewing, Smith, & Hoberock (1971-1995)

Staff

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Education: Missouri 2005 JD
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Education: Missouri (Kansas City) 1990 JD
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Gary A. Fenner

District Judge

Date of Birth: 1947
Education: Kansas 1970 BA; Missouri (Kansas City) 1973 JD
Began Service: July 26, 1996
Appointed By: President William J. Clinton

Academic: Business Law Instructor (part-time), Webster College (1976-1977)

Government: Assistant City Attorney, City of St. Joseph, Missouri (1973-1977); City Councilman, City of St. Joseph, Missouri (1977-1978)

Judicial: Judge, Missouri Circuit Court, Fifth Judicial Circuit (1979-1988); Judge, Missouri Court of Appeals, Western District (1988-1996)

Legal Practice: Associate of Daniel M. Czamanske, Attorney at Law (1973); Partner, Shoemaker, Summers and Fenner (1977-1978)

Current Memberships: American Bar Association; Clay County Bar Association; Kansas City Metropolitan Bar Association; The Missouri Bar; Platte County Bar Association

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Nanette Kay Laughrey

District Judge

Date of Birth: 1946
Education: UCLA 1967 BA; Missouri 1975 JD
Began Service: August 26, 1996
Appointed By: President William J. Clinton

Academic: Associate Professor of Law, University of Missouri School of Law (1983-1987); Professor of Law, University of Missouri School of Law (1987-1989); William H. Pittman Professor of Law, University of Missouri School of Law (1989-1996); Visiting Professor of Law, University of Iowa College of Law (1990)

Government: VISTA Volunteer, VISTA (1969-1972); Assistant State Attorney General, State of Missouri (1975-1979); Commissioner, City of Columbia Arts Commission (1986-1988); Commissioner, Columbia Housing Authority (1992-1998); Deputy State Attorney General, State of Missouri (1992-1993)

Judicial: Judge, Columbia Municipal Court (1979-1983)

Legal Practice: Staff Attorney (part-time), Craig Van Matre, P.C. (1980-1983)

Nonprofit: Director, Voluntary Action Center (1972)

Current Memberships: American Bar Association; The American Law Institute; Association of Women Lawyers of Greater Kansas City; Kansas City Metropolitan Bar Association; The Missouri Bar

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